

REMARKS

Claims 47-56 are pending in the application. Claims 14-21 and 38-46 have been canceled by this amendment without prejudice. All pending claims are presently allowed.

No new matter has been added.

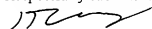
This amendment with RCE is being filed for the purpose of entering the attached Information Disclosure Statement containing references cited by and a communication from the European Patent Office.

The claims are also amended to cancel claims for which the Board affirmed rejections.

In view of the foregoing, it is submitted that the application is now in condition for allowance.

In the event that a fee is required, please charge the fee to Deposit Account No. 50-0281, and in the event that there is a credit due, please credit Deposit Account No. 50-0281.

Respectfully submitted,



Joseph T. Grunkemeyer  
Reg. No. 46,746  
Phone No. 202-404-1556  
Office of the Associate Counsel  
(Patents), Code 1008.2  
Naval Research Laboratory  
4555 Overlook Ave, SW  
Washington, DC 20375-5325